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*At the Court at Whitehall, the
Tenth of May, 1672.*

Present,

The Kings most Excellent Majesty

His Highness Prince Rupert
Lord Archbishop of Canterbury
Lord Keeper
Duke of Lauderdale
Duke of Ormonde
Marquess of Worcester
Lord Chamberlain
Earl of Bridgewater
Earl of Essex
Earl of Anglesey
Earl of Bath
Earl of Carlisle
Earl of Craven

Earl of Arlington
Earl of Shaftesbury
Viscount Fauconberge
Viscount Halifax
Lord Bishop of London
Lord Newport
Lord Hollis
Lord Clifford
Mr. Secretary Trevor
Mr. Chancellor of the Dutchy
Master of the Ordnance
Sir Thomas Osborne.

*It was Ordered by His Majesty in Council, That an Order this day read and Approved as
the Board for dispensing for some time with certain Clauses of several Acts, concerning
Trade, Shipping, and Navigation, be forthwith Printed and Published.*

EDW. WALKER.



Is Majesty by and with the
Advice of His Privy Coun-
cil is pleased to Declare, and
Order, That an Act of Par-
liament, made in the Parlia-
ment begun at *Westminster*
the Five and Twentieth day
of *April* in the Twelfth Year
of His Majesties Reign, and Confirmed by the Par-
liament begun at *Westminster* the Eighth day of
May in the Thirteenth Year of His Majesties
A Reign,

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Reign, Intituled, [*An Act for Encouraging and Increasing of Shipping and Navigation*] and all the Proceedings therein, be thereby directed, Be totally suspended in all the matters and things therein Contained, concerning or relating to any Ships or Vessels, their Masters or Mariners, their Guns, Furniture, Tackle, Ammunition, and Apparel, or to any Goods or Commodities Imported or Exported to, or from *Norway*, or the *Baltique Sea*.

And His Majesty doth further Order, That the said Act, and all the Proceedings therein or thereby directed, be totally suspended in all the Matters and things therein Contained, concerning or relating to any Ships or Vessels, their Masters or Mariners, their Guns, Furniture, Tackle, Ammunition and Apparel, or to any Goods or Commodities Imported or Exported to, or from any parts of *Germany*, *Flanders*, or *France*, whereof the Merchants and Owners shall be His Majesties natural born Subjects.

And His Majesty is graciously pleased to Declare and Grant, That not onely His Majesties natural born Subjects, but all Merchants of any Nation, may Import from any Ports whatsoever, Hemp, Pitch, Tarr, Mafts, Salt-peter, and Copper, and upon Importation thereof shall be Liable to pay only such Duties as by the Act of Tonnage and Poundage are Imposed upon His Majesties natural born Subjects and no other. Any thing in the said Act to the Contrary notwithstanding.

And his Majesty doth further Order, That notwithstanding the said Act for Encouraging and Increasing of Shipping and Navigation. And one other Act made in the said Parliament, begun at Westminster the Eighth day of May in the Thirteenth Year of His Majesties Reign Intituled, [*An Act*
for

~~for the Encouragement of Trade~~] or either of them, or any Clause or Clauses in them, or either of them to the Contrary; It shall and may be lawful for any *English* Merchants, and they are hereby Authorized freely and without Interruption to make use of, and Imploy any Foreign Ships, or Vessels whatsoever, Navigated by Mariners, or Seamen of any Nation, for Importing, or Exporting of all Goods and Commodities, to or from any Port in *England* or *Wales*, or to or from any of His Majesties Plantations, they paying only the aforesaid Duties Imposed upon His Majesties natural born Subjects, as for Goods Exported in *English*-built Bottoms, and no other.

Provided, That no Goods or Commodities whatsoever, be by them Imported into any of His Majesties said Plantations, but what shall be without fraud Laden, and Shipped in *England* or *Wales*, and thence directly carried, and from no other Place to His Majesties said Plantations.

Provided also, That such Goods and Commodities as shall be by them Laden and taken on Board at His Majesties said Plantations, or any of them, be brought directly from thence to some of His Majesties said Ports in *England* or *Wales*; And all Governours and Officers of the Customs, are hereby Charged, and required strictly to observe all Rules, Directions, and Orders for taking of Bonds or other Securities, and exacting all Forfeitures and Penalties by the said Acts, or either of them required or enjoyned, save only in the two Clauses concerning *English* Ships, and *English* Mariners herein before Dispensed with.

And lastly His Majesty doth Declare, That this shall continue and be in force during His Majesties pleasure: And when His Majesty shall think fit

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to Determine the Dispensation hereby Granted,
He will by His Royal Proclamation give Six
Moneths notice thereof, to the end no Merchant
or other Person herein concerned may be sur-
prized.

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